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In re Patent Application of: Kristy A. Campbell, et al

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For:

METHOD OF FORMING NON-

VOLATILE RESISTANCE VARIABLE DEVICES, METHODS OF FORMING A PROGRAMMABLE MEMORY CELL OF MEMORY CIRCUITRY, AND A NON-VOLATILE RESISTANCE VARIABLE

**DEVICE** 

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the subject matter of the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue from this application. A copy of each document is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned.

A brief explanation of relevance of the non-patent documents listed on form PTO/SB/08 is provided and attached hereto as Appendix A. The brief explanation

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provided for each document is not tantamount to an admission that a document is "material" or that it qualifies as prior art. The Examiner is respectfully requested to utilize Appendix A only as a tool by which to better categorize the documents for substantive use in examining the claims of the application.

Documents discussed in Appendix A marked with an asterisk (\*) are indicated to be potentially more relevant than others. Such marking is provided only to assist the Examiner; however, the Examiner is requested to thoroughly review all documents cited herein.

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## APPENDIX A

Helbert et al., SPIE Vol. 333 Submicron Lithography (1982): this publication generally relates to, inter alia, hybrid ultragraphic process using both electron beam and conventional optical exposure within the same device level with a photoresist.

- \*Kozicki et al., Superlattices and Microstructures, 27 (2000): this publication generally relates to, <u>inter alia</u>, solid solutions of metals (e.g., silver) in arsenic trisulfide and their physical and electrical characteristics.
- \*Kozicki et al., Microelectronic Engineering, vol. 63/1-3 (2002): this publication generally relates to, inter alia, the photodiffusion of Ag into germanium selenide glass films, the amount of Ag that can be incorporated in to such a film by photodiffusion, and the characteristics of the resulting doped films.
- \*Kozicki et al., Proceedings of the 1999 Symposium on Solid State Ionic Devices (1999): this publication generally relates to, <u>inter alia</u>, physical and electrical characteristics of metal doped chalcogenide films (photodoped Ag<sub>4</sub>As<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>) between electrodes, useful in memories, configurable connections, and self-repairing interconnections.
- \*Kozicki and Mitkova, Proceedings of the XIX International Congress on Glass, Society for Glass Technology (2001): this publication generally relates to, inter alia, the physical effects of introduction of Ag into chalcogenide glasses, where introduction is by photodiffusion.